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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
7 AT SEATTLE

8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

9 Plaintiff,

10 v.

11 TIMOTHY DORAN,

12 Defendant.

Case No. CR12-001RSL

ORDER DENYING MOTION  
TO WITHDRAW

13 This matter comes before the Court on Defendant's "Motion to Withdraw as  
14 Counsel for Defendant" (Dkt. # 69). Having considered the facts set forth in the motion  
15 and the arguments made during the hearing on June 10, 2013, the Court finds the  
16 following:

17 (1) On March 22, 2013, the Court held an evidentiary hearing related to the  
18 sentencing of Defendant for failing to register as a sex offender. Dkt. # 64. During the  
19 hearing, the Court heard testimony from Vietnamese Detective Ngoc Hoang and Girlie  
20 Pineda. Id. The hearing was continued to May 23, 2013. Id. On May 15, 2013, the  
21 Court granted Defendant's motion to continue the hearing. The hearing is scheduled to  
22 resume on September 12, 2013. Dkt. # 68.

23 (2) Defendant has not presented sufficient arguments to warrant the appointment  
24 of new counsel. First, his request is untimely. The parties and the Court are in the  
25 middle of an evidentiary hearing. Granting the motion to withdraw would require the  
26 Court to hold a new evidentiary hearing. The government would be required to call the

1 witnesses who previously testified, including Detective Hoang who lives in Vietnam.  
2 The Court is not inclined to require such extreme measures without sufficient indication  
3 that the attorney-client relationship has been damaged.

4 (3) Furthermore, Defendant supports his motion with the same arguments he  
5 raised when he sought to replace his first lawyer in April 2012. Dkt. # 28, 29. He has  
6 not presented any new reasons why his current lawyer in particular should withdraw.  
7 Based on Defendant's and counsel's statements outside the presence of the government,  
8 the Court finds no indication that the attorney-client relationship has suffered irreparable  
9 harm. Thus, the Court DENIES Defendant's motion (Dkt. # 69).

10 DATED this 10th day of June, 2013.

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16 United States District Judge  
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